

The Weekly Ledger

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VENUS de Milo was explaining her misfortune. "The Allies made us hand over all our arms," she said.

EUROPE is beginning to make noises that may eventually sound like a continent clamoring for peace.

IT had to come. We learn definitely that the high price of eggs is due to the increased cost of living for hens.

IT will be a maiden speech in every respect when Miss Jeanette Rankin rises in her seat to address the House for the first time.

CALIFORNIA now enjoys the distinction of having kept the whole country in suspense for two weeks while it counted its vote. California ought to get a few adding machines.

GEN. GOETHALS says that the Panama Canal is a success, and he ought to know better than any critic who devoted three days to going over the work.

BRITONS are told to establish fish- less as well as meatless days. For an island washed by seas that team with all manner of sea food this is a most extraordinary state of things.

THE Colonel's "average man" may be morally obtuse, but he will not fail to note that fact that it is William J. Bryan and not Theodore Roosevelt who has been invited to take lunch- con with the President-elect.

THE will of Mrs. Lizzie M. Palmer, of New York, provides a fund of \$4,000,000 to train young women for motherhood. No doubt the school will prove useful. But a former gen- eration of mothers must sigh to think of the blessings of official instruction which they missed.

SPEAKER CLARK announces this week that the Democrats will have a majority of two or three in the House without the Independents, and there is no question but what he will be re- elected Speaker. This will place all branches of the Government in the hands of the Democrats, for the next four years.

COMPETITORS AND THE CUSTOMERS.

IT is problematical just what will occur in business circles throughout the world at the close of the European war, and referring to this important matter, the Saturday Evening Post editorially says:

"Many capable men, including Pres- ident Wilson, think we shall have little to fear from European compe- tition for many years after the war. But it is quite certain that if we have little to fear from Europe, we shall have nothing in particular to hope for from her.

"A Europe that could not compete with us would be of very limited com- mercial use to us. If peace finds the belligerent nations so crippled and poverty-stricken that they cannot re- habilitate their own manufacturers for a long time, they will certainly be too crippled and poverty-stricken to buy our manufactures.

"If wages fall to the starvation point there will be few consumers of American wheat and bacon. The prudent course is to look for the liveliest competition we have ever met. If it should not come we shall not have lost anything."

FOOD PRICE DEVELOP.

MEATS IN ST. LOUIS. WIDESPREAD cheating by short weight in the sale of butter, sugar, salt and flour, was discovered Mon- day by James W. Griffin, Inspector of Weights and Measures, according to the St. Louis Republic.

Many women are co-operating with Griffin to reveal short-weight fraud. Griffin and six inspectors will in- spect Produce Row in search of short- weight packages and carton foodstuffs.

A woman Monday bought four bushels of potatoes from a peddler. Griffin's inspectors found she only got three bushels.

Belleville, Ill., yesterday author- ized aldermanic investigation to find out who gets the profits.

Chicago mail-order concern increas- ed its business last month \$250,000 in St. Louis over the same month last year, because of the high cost of foodstuffs here. This money leaves St. Louis merchants and goes to Chicago.

As the result of startling disclos- ures that St. Louis housewives are being openly cheated by short weight in butter in cartons, and salt and flour in bags, six city inspectors will launch an extensive investigation of commission houses and retail stores.

Buyers throughout the state are buying standard scales and mea- sures for home use. The prices are high enough without being robbed in the weight or measure.

A FORD SOLD FOR \$75,000. WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 4. — A month ago Dearing Marshall and Harry Heimpe traded a Ford car for an oil lease twenty feet wide and a mile long, near Augusta. The lease is on the Purcell farm, which has a 400- barrel well on it. Saturday the Van Arsdale-Marshall Oil and Gas Com- pany paid Marshall and Heimpe \$75,000 for the lease.

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BEREA ITEMS.

J. C. Miller's condition remains about the same. — Mrs. J. W. Gorrill is ill of appendicitis. — Shannon, the small son of Homer Roberts and wife, fell Sunday, breaking his arm. — At the box supper at Shady Dell Thurs- day evening a neat sum was realized.

— J. A. Cawthorn and wife entertain- ed a number of their relatives with a goose dinner Thursday. — Dr. Flynt and wife had as guests Thanksgiving day Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, of Colum- bia, and R. M. Roberts, wife and daughter, Miss Georgia. — Felix Mar- tin, wife and grand-daughter, Ruby Martin, spent the holidays with rela- tives at Vandalia. — Herbert Cauthorn and wife of Littleley Station, Miss Dora Cauthorn, who is attend- ing McMillan High, and O. T. Cauthorn and wife of the Hollinsville neighborhood, spent Sunday with P. R. Cauthorn and family. — Miss Fan- nie Edge sold a late calf to Neva Mil- ler for \$16, also 4 shots at 9c per lb.

— Miss Ardis Squires is the guest of Miss Anna Baker, of near Perry. — Mrs. Mayes is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Allen Baker, of Vandalia, also her new grand-daughter. — Rev. Fred White filled his regular appointment at Mt. Zion Saturday and Sunday; the attendance was good both Sunday and Sunday night.

CAT SAVED MISTRESS' LIFE.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5. — "Tige," a pretty gray and white Persian cat, got in to the hero class recently by saving its mistress, Mrs. Nellie Lu- kens, from possible asphyxiation dur- ing a fire.

Mrs. Lukens was asleep in her room on the third floor of the building when the fire broke out. The sound of the fire gongs in the street below, and the stifling smoke that rapidly filled the room failed to arouse her. Mrs. Lukens said later that she was slightly awakened by a few shrieking "me-ows" but paid no attention until she felt the sting of scratches on her arm. When she opened her eyes she found the cat on the bed with her, she said, pawing violently at her arm and shoulder.

Firemen rushed in and ordered Mrs. Lukens to leave the building, but she refused to go until "Tige" had been tucked in a basket and also carried to safety.

E. R. Locke, of the Heat & Power Co., is in Chicago.

Miss Mary Louise Hawthorne is home from a visit in Moberly.

Judge E. S. Gantt is holding Court at Montgomery City.

Miss Hazel McIntyre, who has been ill of diphtheria at her home on South Jefferson street, continues to improve.

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MARTINSBURG.

Mrs. John Asbury and little daugh- ter, Priscilla, of Keytesville, are vis- iting friends here this week. — Dr. H. A. Jacobi and wife of Ferguson, are guests of the Jacobi family. — Miss Margaret Torreyson, of New Florence spent the week-end with friends here.

— Mrs. C. D. Williams visited in Mex- ico Friday with her son, P. M. Wil- liams, and wife. — Miss Martha Krieger was shopping in Mexico Friday.

— A. B. Cluster of Middletown, was the guest of Miss Ruth Peyton Sunday. — Harvey Quante, of St. Louis, visited Aug. Bertels and family several days of this week. — A. H. Burchard, of St. Louis, spent Thanksgiving here with his family. — Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Taylor made a business trip to Bow- ling Green Friday. — Miss Elizabeth Holterman was the guest of friends in Montgomery City Wednesday.

— B. H. Fennwald, of East St. Louis, spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives. — Donald Addis, of Mexi- co, was transacting business here on Tuesday. — Miss Bess Watson, of Centralia, was the guest of Miss Ara McGrew Sunday. — Mrs. H. P. French and Mrs. T. R. White were in Mexico shopping Monday. — Mrs. W. H. Coll of Benton City, was the guest of Mrs. C. T. Peyton Monday. — N. M. Friedman, C. T. Peyton and H. P. French were transacting business in St. Louis Monday. — Roy Moss and Garner Brown left for Cleveland, O., Tuesday, where they have employ- ment with the Western Union Tele- graph Company. — Dr. J. C. Blain, of Wellsville, was transacting business here Tuesday. — Miss Josephine Ja- cobi visited in Mexico Tuesday.

NEW HOPE ITEMS.

Mr. Harry Miller wife and baby visited the latter part of the week with her parents, Robert Dollens and family. — Henry Miller, of Brown's Station, was the guest of Frankie, Leslie and Willis Dollens the latter part of the week. — Mr. Rufus and Cloyd Stone, of Brown's Station, Mo. were the guests of Albert and George Dollens the latter part of the week.

There were a crowd of young folks gathered at the home of W. T. Chick Thursday night, Nov. 30th. — A Thanksgiving dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dollens; among those who were present were Mr. and Mrs. John Wisdom, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Dollens, Mr. W. N. Chick, Mrs. W. T. Chick, Mrs. George Mayes, Miss Effie Chick, Miss Louise Dollens, Miss Elizabeth Dollens, Albert Dollens, Ester Dickie, Tom and George Dol- lens, Wade and Frankie Dollens, For- est and Fred Mayes, Leslie and Willis Dollens, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller and son, Louis Russell, Henry Miller; also Rufus and Cloyd Stone, of Brown's Station, Mo. — Mr. W. E. Freeman, wife and little son were the guests of Harvey Stewart and family Sunday.

— Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon visited Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wilson Thursday, Nov. 30th. — Mr. L. H. Hinlen's rela- tives at Mexico motored out and paid him and his wife a visit Sunday.

NORTHEAST BENTON.

Sydney Silvia, a former resident of this community, but now in Texas, is visiting with friends and neighbors.

Charles Hoyt and wife, of Mexico, vis- ited Henry Weber's over Sunday. — Charles Boling, of Shelby, visited his uncle, Will Boling, last week. — Lewis McKee and family spent Thanksgiving at Will Tratchell's.

J. T. Miller held a public sale last Wednesday. On Friday Mr. and Mrs. Miller moved to Mexico, where they will make their future home. — Miss Neva Rockwell, who is attending For- est Park Seminary in St. Louis, vis- ited several days with her parents, returning to her school duties Sunday.

— Miss Alice Clement entertained the young folks with a party last Wed- nesday night. — Egbert Miller and family moved to a farm near Ortiz the first of the week. — Clayton Snook is husking corn for E. W. Rockwell. — The Ladies Aid of the Baptist church will give a box and pie supper in Ben- ton City next Saturday night.

ROWENA ITEMS.

Miss Lillie Love, who has been vis- iting her sister Canton, has return- ed home. — Mrs. Alice Williams is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Virgil Sanaberry. — Wilda Yager spent the last of the week with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Tandy. — Miss Bessie Tribble and Miss Welch spent the last of the week with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tribble. — Mr. and Mrs. John Foster, of Canton, Mo., and Mr. W. W. Wilson and family spent Thanksgiving day with Mrs. J. E. Love. — A. P. Yager went to Mexico Sunday. — Mr. E. G. Rowe and sons spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Fuller. — Mr. Stan- ley Tawney, of near Hannibal, who is visiting his brother, Mr. F. W. Taw- ney, has a sick boy with typhoid pneu- monia. — Mrs. J. F. Beamer has been sick, but is some better.

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AUXVASSE ITEMS.

Seven car loads from Auxvasse wit- nessed the Blue Jays defeated at Pay- ette in the Thanksgiving foot ball game. — Howard Wign, of McCredie, sold \$30,000 worth of mules to St. Louis buyers the past week. — Mea- les seems to be the order of the day in our little town; several being quite sick. Miss Mattie Scholl, a high school pupil from the country, board- ing in town, is very low. — The Shakespeare and Tuesday Clubs are the promoters of a musical to be given Xmas for a library fund. — Mrs. Lillie McCune, mother of Nellie J. and daughter-in-law of Mrs. Harri- ett McCune, was recently married in California, where she went some- time ago for her health. She has spent much of her time here. — John Kemp and J. A. Brown were here Wednesday on business. — Rev. Chap- pell is owner of a new Ford. — Mrs. Lillie Garwood married Mr. James last week. — The lecture by Rev. Herbert at the Auditorium Monday night was well attended and enjoyed. — A wonderfully instructive talk. — Misses Nell and Floy Harrison motored to Mexico the past week. — Mr. Sug- gett who was kicked by a mule in the face at McCredie Tuesday, is improv- ing. — The regular Literary Society and debate organized each winter met Friday night and elected the follow- ing officers: Dr. Roberts, President; Miss French, Secretary and Treas- urer, and Prof. Baker, Sergeant. — Mr. Grant Yates a prominent drug- gist of Mokane, died at his home there of paralysis Monday. Funeral serv- ices in Fulton Wednesday. His par- ents, Mr. and Mrs. George Yates, and

a sister, Mrs. Rood, live here. — Z. W. Hook and family, Herbert Gibbs and family, F. C. Stokes and family, Dr. Adams and family were Mexico vis- itors the past week. — Mrs. George Thomas is very ill at her home in east Auxvasse.

9,850,000 DIMES MADE IN MONTH. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2. — With an output of 9,850,000 dimes, 8,266,200 nickels and 28,875,450 pennies in November, the local mint establish- ing a new record for a single month in the number of pieces coined. The total value of the output was \$1,688,064.50. In addition 2,000,000, ten-cent pieces were coined for the republic of Ecuador.

For the 11 months of 1916 the coinage has aggregated 191,565,926 pieces, all dimes, nickels, and pennies. Officials of the mint say there is no indication of a let-up in the demand for small coins.

MACON LOSSES ELECTION.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., December 5. — The Supreme Court yesterday sustained the Kansas City Court of Appeals in its decision that the local option election at which Macon, Mo., voted dry on December 8, 1913, was invalid.

The election was held invalid be- cause booths were not provided for voters and the provisions of the gen- eral election law disregarded. This makes Macon wet if saloon licenses can be obtained.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shelby, of Wells- ville, motored to this city Sunday.

W. B. Llewellyn, of Laddonia, was in Mexico Sunday.

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Marriage licenses were issued Sat- urday afternoon to John M. Wilson and Miss Nancy E. Nichols, both of Pike county, and Harry W. Freeman, of Brookfield, Mo., and Miss Sarah A. Wright, of Columbia, Mo.

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COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

By W. CLYDE JOHNSON, County School Supt.

Miss Blanche White, of Liberty, has the banner primer class. Already they have read the Elson and the Riverside Primers. They know the sounds of all the consonants and of the long and short vowels. They can also spell, write and do number work. Miss White has free text books this year, so she looked around for some good readers. She selected the Elson, partly because of their excellent manual. She has followed this manual in her work, preparing cards on which she pastes pictures cut from old books, magazines, etc., to illustrate the different exercises of the manu- al. Her pupils are now able to pro- nounce the words that come up from day to day in their work. She has three regular pupils in her class and one other, who unfortunately entered late and missed a great deal thereby. It will take her a long time to catch up unless she has some good assistance at home. Perhaps she will never get it so well as she would had she started on time. It is a good rule to go every day on time. Can anyone beat this record of Miss White's?

Dave Neal, one of the "Bull Dogs" that won the championship for the Kirksville Normal, has begun his work for the Lyons & Camahan Book Co. He is located here at the Ringo Hotel. I am sure that he will be glad to meet the teachers of the county. If you want to know more about good text books, call on him.

Miss Dollie McKenzie, at Hisey, writes that they have bought five dol- lars' worth of library books; have posted a copy of study and recitation periods, have cleaned the out-build- ings, have built a new stile, and be- lieve they deserve to remain on the approved list.

W. L. Ballew reports a few more improvements at Flynt — the store has been repaired and the house un- derpinned.

A. L. Lipp, clerk at Molino, says the School Board met Saturday and look- ed after the sanitation of out-build- ings and other matters pertaining to school, thus making good with their school.

T. S. Eichor, clerk of Hickory Grove, writes that the board has met all requirements to keep their school on the approved list.

C. F. Barney, clerk of Crow, reports \$6.00 spent for Library Books, and that they will soon see to the cleaning of the toilets. He wants their school to remain on the approved list. They expect to make important improve- ments as soon as possible.

These are fine reports. I hope that I shall soon receive similar ones from the other approved schools. A thing that is not worth working for is not worth having. An approved school is one that complies with the law, that keeps clean and sanitary. All this costs so little in money, but is worth so much in good health to your chil- dren; also good libraries and other equipment for them. Do you think you can afford to do less than meet this standard, Mr. Parent?

County Court Notes.

The December term of the County Court was adjourned Monday even- ing, after a one day's session.

It was ordered by the court that J. A. Farmer be paid \$227.94 by a county Revenue Warrant, \$167.94 of which is the State appropriation and \$60 of which is in agreement. It was also ordered that the treasurer pay to J. A. Farmer \$100. These warrants were for work on rock roads.

The County Clerk was instructed to draw a Special Road and Bridge warrant in favor of C. L. Leitch, agt., for \$3,945 on contract for bridges.

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Bids on the bridge at the mouth of Littleby were opened and considered and all bids were rejected.

The court ordered that the errone- ous assessment of J. B. Jerman as J. B. Jerman & Son were assessed with the same property and that the col- lector take erroneous assessment for that amount.

\$15,000 was ordered transferred from the County Revenue to the Special Road and Bridge Fund.

A duplicate warrant for \$3.00 as judge of election was issued to E. M. Morris.

The bill of C. P. Berger for \$7.90 was refused.

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Public Librarian's Report for Nov.

December 1, 1916.

No. Books, Nov. 1st

Books thrown out

No. Books added

No. Books on Dec. 1st

Addition by Classes:

History

Fiction

Literature

Nat. Sc.

Religious

Total 91 added.

Circulation by Classes:

Bound Period

Philosophy

Religion

Sociology

Nat. Science

Useful Arts

Fine Arts

Literature

History

Travel

Biography

Current Period

Fiction

Total

Total Books loaned

Subscribers

New

Renew

Total subscribers

Country Adt., 8, Nov. 5.

Books donated by Mr. Llewellyn

Mrs. J. T. Johnson.

Books added by purchase:

Donat.

Total

Am't. on hand Nov. 1st

Rec'd from Finer

Paid out for stamps, express, freight

and dray, postals, etc.,

Amount on hand Dec. 1st

CITY EMPLOYEES MUSTN'T DRINK

JOPLIN, Mo., Dec. 5. — All city

employees of Joplin were forbidden

"drink intoxicating liquors at any

time," in a resolution adopted unani- mously by the Joplin City Commis- sion in executive session here recent- ly. Five city firemen are said to have resigned immediately as a protest against the "dry" order. The places were filled.

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